Ethisterone, Ethinyl Estradiol and Testo-terone;

(a) whether it is also a fact that there is no reference of these drugs in the Kel-kar Commit'ee report;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these drugs are being imported and have a sig-nificant consumption;

(d) whether it is a fact that the turnover of each drug is around one to three crores and finished medicines are the monopoly of two or three companies; and

(e) if so, the reasons for not considering these drugs for price control by the Kelkar Committee when these drugs fulfil all the criteria?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (e) The re-commendations of the Kelkar Committee with regard to hormones and alike substances are as follows:

"Hormones: The WHO list of Hormones includes Adrenal Hormones, Syn-the'ic substitute, Estrogens, Progestogens, Tnsulins and other Antidiabetic agents and Thyroids hormones and Antithyroid drugs under this Heading. Of this, it was decided to drop contraceptives and allied items from price control as family welfare is an important National Health Programme and Government makes this available at cheap prices unde$_r$ their various family welfare ac^f;ivities. Considering the recommendation of WHO and the usage pattern, the Committee adopted Hydrocortisone in price controlled Category as Prednisolone and Dexame-thasone have already been considered.

Bringing durabulin etc. **under price control list**

2338. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answe$_r$ to Unstarred Question 892 given in th$_e$ Rajya Sabha on the 16th November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kelkar Committee did not consider drugs required for production of Durabolin, Neurabol-H, Orabolin, Decadurabolin;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is n$_0$ reference of these drugs i$_n$ the Kelkar Committee report;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these products have a turnover in crores and are the monopoly of two drug companies;

(d) whether it is nls$_0$ a fact that the manufacturers of these products are importing the bulk drugs; and

(el if so, whether there is any proposal to bring these drugs in 'h$_e$ purview of price control?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) Neurabol-H contains Vitamin Bl, B6 and B12 in combination with Nandrolone Phenyl-propionate and is, therefore, price controlled under th$_e$ DPCO, 1987 Orabolin Durabolin and Decadurabolin are based on the harmones Ehylstrenol, Nandrolone Phenylpropionate and Nandrolone Decano-ate respectively and there is no specific reference of these drugs in the Kelkar Committee report

(c) Sale$_s$ turnover of formulations is not monitored

(d) Details of import/procurement of bulk drugs are not monitored company-wise.

(e) No, Sir.

Production of **procaine HCL**

2339. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 847 given in the Rajya Sabha on th$_e$ 16th November 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that proeain Hcl is the monopoly of a multinational drue company and is one of the 120 top selling products as per ORG; and,